(ग) और (घ) : इन कैंटीनों का चलाये जाने का उद्देश्य दिल्ली पुलिस कार्मिकों के कल्याण का एक भाग है । कैंटीनों का प्रबंध, एक प्रबंध समिति द्वारा किया जाता है और ये कैंटीनें न लाभ न हानि के आधार पर चलाई जाती हैं ।

Supply of Enriched Urauiuni by foreign countries to Pakistan

2238. SHRI INDRADEEP SINHA:
SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that foreign countries are supplying enriched uranium and components to Pakistan to develop atomic weapons;

(b) whether it is also a fact that samples of atomic bomb have been supplied to Paikstan; and

(c) if so, what is the Go -</ ernment of India's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A. A. RAHIM;:

(a) and (b) Government have seen reports regarding procurement of components, both clandestine and otherwise, by Pakistan from different countries which could be useful for a nuclear weapons development programme.

(c) Government continue to keep a close watch on all developments having a bearing on India's security.

2239. *[Transferred to the 24th August,* 1984.]

China's pledge to cut nuclear weapons

2240. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) w lether Government's attention ha* been drawn to the news item which speared in the 'Hindustan Times of the 30th July, 1984 to the effect that China pledged to cut nuclear weapons if the super powers take the lead;

(b) whether the Prime Minister as Chairperson of NAM propose to bring this to the notice of the super powers; and

(c) if so, what are the details in ' this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir. Mr. Li Yimang, President of the Chinese Association for International Understanding was reported to have made such a statement.

(b) No, Sir. There is no such proposal under consideration.

(c) Does not arise.

Declaring 'Pongal Festival' as a National Holiday

2241. SHRI D. HEERACHAND' Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose *to* declare 'Pongal festival' as a national holiday; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. VENKATASUBBAIAH): (a) No such proposal is under consideration.

(b) The Government of India has recognised only three occasions, namely, Republic Day, Independence Day and Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday, as national holidays.